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One of the aspects of the situation in Poland about which we are not very well informed is the impact of the changes of the past year on day-to-day life. The attached article from <a href="The New Yorker">The New Yorker</a> provides an excellent account of current political life within Poland and Solidarity, as well as a graphic account of just how serious the economic situation is, particularly for the average Pole. Although it is a bit long, I think you will find it both interesting and informative. It is the kind of on the scene reporting we do not see very often.

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Attachment:

As stated